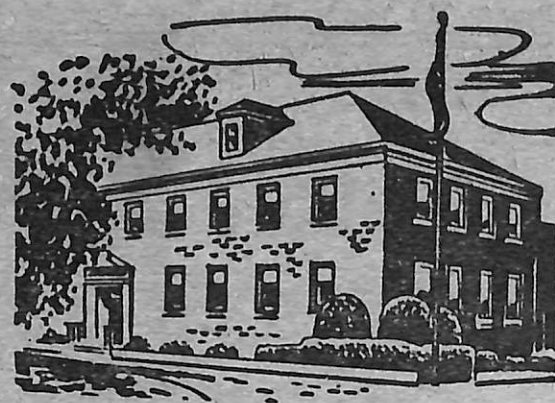


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AGAWAM, MASS.: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1965

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## Former Town Officials Honored at Testimonial Dinner



## Oil Heat Council Forum At Kimball Towers Feb. 17

Architects and engineers from throughout Western Massachusetts will be guests of the Oil Heat Council of Western Massachusetts at the first annual Oil Heat Factual Forum to be held at the Kimball Towers on Wednesday, February 17, according to Orville S. Trudeau, executive director of the council.

### Al Christopher The "Corn King"



Albert J. Christopher, "the Corn King," shown above, of Christopher Farm, Meadow St., Agawam, will address the annual New England Vegetable Growers meeting to be held Saturday, Feb. 13th at the Hampden County Improvement League, West Springfield. He will illustrate his talk with films at a visit to the Christopher Farm.

Mr. Christopher has been a produce grower for 26 years, having started in his senior year of high school. The farm was started with eight acres and now has 200 acres specializing in corn, tomatoes, peppers, cabbage, squash, cukes and beans. In the

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Mr. Trudeau said an estimated 300 members and guests will attend the Factual Forum, designed to show architects and engineers, and allied personnel, "the many advantages of modern, oil-fired equipment for homes, businesses and industries."

The Oil Heat Council executive noted that "vast changes and improvements have been made in oil heat technology, and these will be outlined to those attending the forum."

The Factual Forum will begin at 5 p.m. with a seminar for architects and engineers, and members, an hour-long session featuring qualified experts in the oil heating field.

A social hour will take place from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., and dinner will take place at 7.

Mr. Trudeau said the dinner speaker will be George F. Byrne, executive vice-president of the Oil Heat Institute of Long Island, considered one of the foremost men in the oil heat industry.

Members of the Oil Heat Factual Forum committee include Charles E. Plankey, president of the Oil Heat Council and of the

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More than 200 people attended the testimonial dinner Sunday night at Betty's- Olde Town House to honor three former town officials. Pictured above left to right are the guests: Paul J. Adams, former School Board member; George L. Reynolds, former assessor; Frank Chriscola, Jr., former selectman; Vincent R. Caroleo, master of ceremonies; Leslie Moore, Jr., chairman of the Republican Town Committee; and Edward W. Connelly, selectman.

The guests of honor were presented with silver card trays from Gov. John Volpe. Gov. Volpe was represented by his military aide Lt. Raymond Fontana.

Selectman Connelly, on behalf of the Republican Town Committee, sponsor of the testimonial, and fellow citizens, presented each guest with a silver Paul Revere bowl. He reviewed briefly the years of services given to the town by the guests of honor.

### W. S. Co-operative Announce Dividends

WEST SPRINGFIELD—Earle C. Harvey, treasurer and executive officer of the West Springfield Co-operative Bank, has announced the bank's earnings in the recent quarter totaled \$215,031 and that the dividend declared for the quarter amounted to \$157,672 or 73 percent of the

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## Catholic Women's Club Pancake Festival Tuesday

The Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will present an Aunt Jemima Pancake Festival as their Special Parish Event of the year. This Festival will be held Tuesday, Feb. 16th from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. "All the pancakes you can eat" will be served accompanied by sliced baked ham, coffee, punch and dessert. Organ music by Del Padre will be featured from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. All margarine used will be donated by Mrs. Filbert's Margarine Company.

The special parish event committee is headed by Mrs. Claude Guidetti, chairman, with Mrs. David Gallano, co-chairman and the following committee: Mrs. Alec Baldiga, Mrs. Ernest Bouley, Mrs. Joseph J. Caramazza, Mrs. Joseph Cardone, Mrs. Rose Carpenali, Mrs. Thomas Cascio, Mrs. Albert Christopher, Mrs. Timothy M. Collins, Mrs. John F. Dalton, Mrs. Alfred Dugan, Mrs. Albert French, Mrs. Malcolm Fuller, Mrs. Richard E. Gingras, Mrs. Bernard Horniak, Mrs. Raymond LaPine, Mrs. Leo J. Leger, Jr., Mrs. Satnley Lipski, Mrs. Joseph T. Masucci, Mrs. Anthony Natale, Mrs. Felix Thomp-

son, Mrs. Patrick Vassallo, Mrs. Albert Veronesi and Mrs. Joseph Voislow.

Since this is the one outstanding Club affair of the year and for the benefit of the Parish, a large attendance is expected and many workers needed so the Ways and Means Committee of the Club will also assist. Mrs. Robert Anderson is chairman of

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### Women's Club Smorgasbord Feb. 27

The Agawam Women's Club will hold its midwinter semi-formal dinner dance Saturday evening, Feb. 27, at Betty's Old Towne House. "Gentlemen's



MRS. CLAYTON F.  
HARRINGTON.

Night," has been selected as the theme for the affair.

A social hour at 6 will precede a smorgasbord to be served at 7 and followed by dancing until midnight. Mrs. Clayton F. Harrington, is chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements for the event.

Tickets are available to club members only and their guests and should be obtained as soon as possible. They may be secured from Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. Gloria Marino, Mrs. Malcolm Goodhind, Mrs. Frank Meyer, Jr., Miss Jean Goss, Mrs. Anthony Nacewicz, Mrs. Clinton Warren, Mrs. Marge Pelley, Mrs. Erwin Werthamer, committee members.

### Mr. and Mrs. Club Musical Comedy 'Weak End That Was' Fri-Sat.



"This Is The Weak-End That Was," the Agawam Baptist Mr. and Mrs. Club musical comedy to be presented Friday and Saturday nights at the Agawam High School Auditorium at 8 o'clock is centered around a gypsy tribe of Fretton Woods. Mrs. Goldie Sutton, has written this comedy about the tribe and the

invasion of the two armies named the Purple Army and the Yellow Army. The plot revolves around the building of a bridge in the middle of nowhere and many suspenseful, colorful and amusing events lead to the conclusion of an enjoyable show.

Musical contributions are directed by Darcy Davis, director

of music at Agawam High, and piano accompaniment by Dutch Werthamer, pictured above at right; at left two members of the Purple Army, left to right, Wallace Malley and Dwight Bailey meet up with gypsy Gonzales, Howard Siutor.

Production staff members are:

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## CHURCH NEWS

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist  
and Choir Director  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church Secretary

Thursday—6:30 p.m. Choralier Choir rehearse at church; 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Friday—3 p.m. Melody Choir rehearse at church.

Friday-Saturday—8 p.m. "This Is The Weak End That Was" will be presented at the Agawam High School by the Mr. and Mrs. Club. The public is invited and tickets may be secured at the door.

Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m. Two Morning Worship Services. . . Rev. Lockhart will preach both services. Celestial Choir sing first service and Senior Choir sing second service; 9:30 and 10 a.m. Church School for all; 6 p.m. Junior High BYF meet at church; 6 p.m. Senior BYF meet at church.

Monday—10 a.m. The Lamp-lighter's Circle meet at home of Mrs. Donald Goss, Elm St.; 8 p.m. Anniversary Committee meet at church.

Tuesday—8:30 p.m. The Mr. Mrs. Club meeting in Fellowship House. All couples are urged to attend this meeting; 7 p.m. Celestial Choir rehearse in Ladies' Parlor.

Wednesday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post open; 7 p.m. An Open House for ABC Community Kindergarten will be held in Worthington Hall. The public is invited to stop in.

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint,  
Minister of Music

Thursday—8 p.m. Ladies' Aid

meeting. . . A musical evening.

Friday—3 p.m. Pastor's Class in the Pastor's Study; 7 p.m. Boy Scouts; 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Square Dance.

Saturday—8:45 a.m. Intermediate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m. Church at Morning Worship. . . Rev. Bryan preaching: "Behind the Face"; 9 a.m. Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 10 a.m. Church School Grades 7-12; 10 a.m. Adult Bible Class; 11 a.m. Church School Nursery-Grade 6; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship, Rev. Bryan preaching: "Behind the Face"; 5:30 p.m. Junior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting; 7 p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship meeting. Peter Schenk, guest speaker.

Tuesday—6:30 p.m. Senior High Choir rehearsal; 7:30 p.m. Council meeting.

### LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister  
Mrs. H. Binns, Organist

Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director

Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director  
Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church School; 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour; 10 a.m. Worship Service. . . Nursery for infants.

### FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.

Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor  
Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist  
Mrs. David Meyer, Jr. Choir Dir.  
Mrs. Aileen Kellogg, Jr. Choir Assistant

Thursday—6 p.m. Junior choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior choir rehearsal.

Saturday—9:30 a.m. Junior choir rehearsal; 10:30 a.m. Cher-

ub choir rehearsal.  
Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Church School; 11 a.m. Worship Service. . . Nursery in session.

### ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Dominic A. Ruscetta,  
CPS Rector.

Rev. James T. Cunningham,  
CPS, Assistant.

#### Mass Schedule

Sundays: 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.  
Weekdays: 7 a.m.

Tuesday—7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

### ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

Thursday—7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 79 meets in parish hall.

Friday—3:15 p.m. Junior choir at church.

Saturday—10 a.m. Confirmation instruction at church.

Sunday—8 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Rite of Confirmation; 7 p.m. Evening Prayer.

Monday—2:30 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 47 meets in parish hall.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. Vestry meeting at Vicarage.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Adult choir at church.

Thursday—8 p.m. Altar Guild meets at church.

#### Confirmation Sunday

This Sunday, Feb. 14, the Right Rev. Robert M. Hatch, D.D., Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Massachusetts, will visit St. David's Church to administer the Sacramental Rite of Confirmation. This is the occasion of the Bishop's annual visitation to the local church—where he confirms the class—gives his special message to the congregation and reviews the parish fabric.

#### Reception Following Service

The ladies of the Auxiliary will sponsor a reception for the Bishop in the lower parish hall following the service. At this time the local parishioners extend a welcome to their Bishop and welcome into the full fellowship of the church those who have been Confirmed.

### BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church—Second Sts.  
West Springfield, Mass.  
Pastor John N. Garner

Thursday—3:30 p.m. Joy Club (Children's Bible Class) meets at the church. Evening basketball practice at West Springfield High School.

Friday — 7:45 p.m. Monthly meeting of the Wedding Band Fellowship at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph White, 55 Plateau Circle, West Springfield.

Saturday—9:30 a.m. Work day at the church.

Sunday—9:45 a.m. Bible School for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning Worship service, Sermon by Pastor Garner. Nursery during Bi-



ORVILLE S. TRUDEAU

### Oil Heat Council . . .

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Plankey Heating Service of Ludlow, as chairman; William H. Flood, president of the Converse-Carlisle Co., and Gerald Auth of Auth Fuels of East Longmeadow, as co-chairmen; L. W. Crepeau of Swett Bros., Bernard W. Schorr of F. W. Roberts Co., James L. Grimaldi of Grimaldi, Inc., Richard Whiting of the Whiting Coal & Oil Co. of Holyoke, who is president of the New England Fuel Institute, and Mr. Trudeau.

ble School and morning service; 6 p.m. Young People meet at the church; 7 p.m. Evening service conducted by Pastor Garner.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. "Hour of Power," midweek prayer meeting and service, followed by choir practice.

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The first Mother and Daughter Banquet of the Bible Baptist Church, Upper Church and Second Sts., West Springfield, will be held Friday, Feb. 26 at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Members and friends of the church are invited.

Pastor John N. Garner announced that Arthur H. Bowlen is program and publicity chairman. Men of the church are planning the event, including food preparation and serving.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Vern Spencer, wife of the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Windsor Locks, Conn.

Included will be a musical program led by James Merriman, two skits, and presentation of special awards. Other committee members include Silas J. Rogers, food chairman; Joseph Waite decorations; and Harvey J. McAdam, posters.

### VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister  
Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary  
Mrs. John MacPherson and  
Mrs. Harry Prior,  
Music Directors

Sunday—10 a.m. Morning Worship at Old Storowton Church;

Sunday School children meet in sanctuary, for first part of service, then to classes. . . Rev. Dunn will conduct service and deliver sermon.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. Choir herearse at church.

### Mr. & Mrs. Club . . .

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Everett Hodge, Marjorie Good-kind, producer; Marilyn Penna, choreographer; Ruth Cassada, stage manager; Nina Bailey, wardrobe; Lois Buiniskas, set designer, assisted by Claire Barden, Althea Hodge, Malcolm Good-kind, Ralph Webster, Lloyd Major, Herbert Briggs, Alexander Buiniskas, Donald Goss, Howard Sutor, Russell Baker, Raymond Darsney on set construction. Ruth Davis and Shirley Goss, prompters; Howard Bailey, properties; Cecile Harrington and Dee Winston, make-up; Donald Cassada, Richard Cassada, John Bodurtha, Dudley Bodurtha, John Hastings, Charles Baker, lighting and sound; Mildred Cowan and the telephone committee, patrons and patronesses; Ruth Cassada, Barbara Briggs, program; Helen Lockhart, ushers; Roy Cowan, house manager; Norman Roberts, Phyllis Damon, Edwin Damon, William Haver, Sue Haver, Clyde Woodruff, Pauline Woodruff, tickets; Lois Malley, Ruth Davis, Jean Goss and Mildred Land, publicity.

Tickets are available from any club member or at the door Friday or Saturday nights.

### Printed Pattern



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### W. S. Co-operative . .

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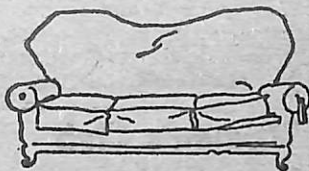
earnings. The dividend is payable February 10, Mr. Harvey said.

"The West Springfield Co-operative Bank has always made a practice of paying the largest possible dividends, sharing its earnings to the fullest with its savers," Mr. Harvey said.

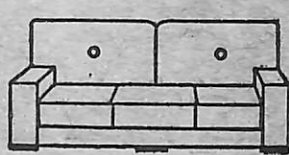
He said the board of directors has voted to continue the present high dividend scale: 4½ percent on serial shares, 4¼ percent on investment accounts and 4 percent on savings accounts.

Assets of the West Springfield Co-operative Bank currently are in excess of \$17½ million.

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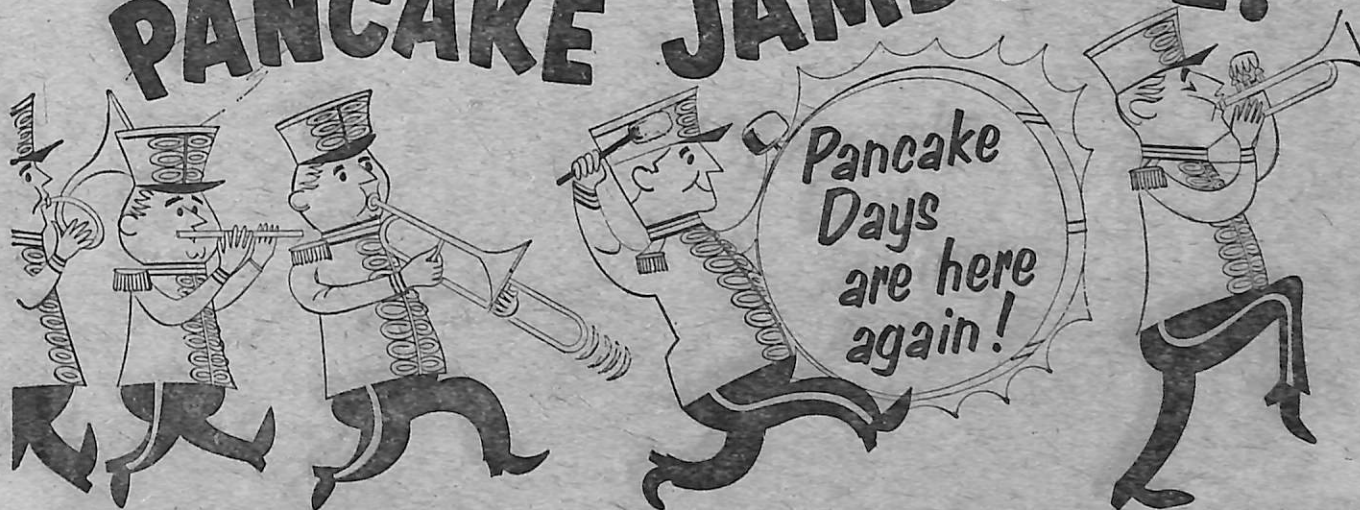
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## Barufaldi-Guidetti In Lead Roles For "Do Re Mi" Musical



ROBERT GUIDETTI



LINDA BARUFALDI

Linda Barufaldi and Robert Guidetti have the leading roles in the Agawam High School Musical "Do-Re-Mi." Both bring several years show experience to the Broadway show that will be presented on March 11, 12 and 13.

Bob has the part of Hubie Cram who was played by Phil Silvers in the Broadway run of the show. Linda will play his wife, Kay, done by Nancy Walker in the original production.

Linda started her high school musicals in the stage chorus of "Annie Get Your Gun" for the school and the Storowton Music Fair productions in her freshman year. That same year she went to Mason City, Iowa, as a member of the high school band. As a sophomore, she practically stopped

of Albert's mother in "Bye Bye Birdie." Last year she gave a fine performance in the role of Sue (Susanswerphone) in "Bells Are Ringing," as well as being voted best actress in the inter-class play contest.

She has maintained her interest in music and drama groups throughout her high school years as a member of chorale and band and is currently president of the Drama Club.

Robert also went to Mason City with the band and has been an active member of the percussion section. He started his show experience as Maude, the bartender, in "Bye Bye Birdie" and will be remembered for the part of Sandor, the bookie, in last year's musical "Bells Are Ringing." Last year saw Bob and Linda together in several scenes that provided some of the highlights of the show. This year, both have long and difficult parts, which should provide many memorable moments.

### Al Christopher . . .

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picture above, Al readies a box of corn that crushed ice will be added to before shipment to a local wholesale house.

Hollis F. Kane, president, of the Springfield Farmers Coop. Market is program chairman. A panel on crop varieties, irrigation techniques and equipment, hot-house tomatoes, pest control, soil deficiencies, etc., with a question and answer period will be held at 10 a.m.

At noon a smorgasbord dinner will be held with 200 members attending. Following the smorgasbord the meeting will adjourn to the Christopher Farm, the show with her interpretation



At the last meeting of the Agawam Club, a report was made by Food Tent Chairman Art Fuchs on the activities at the Eastern States Exposition last September, and the major item of expense was for 7,407 pounds of chicken. "Research in the History of Western Massachusetts" as related by Richard Garvey was very well done and was most interesting.

Members who attended the Mid-Winter Conference at the Schine Inn last Saturday were Nick Zuzzo, Chet Matys, Tom Vella, Ken Clouse, Frank Hardina, Duane Stebbins, John Galica, Bob Watson, John Porter, Henry McGowan, Bob Schilling, Vin Gallerani, Ken Burton, Tom Cascio, Art Fuchs, Bob Johnson, Paul Tatro, and seven wives. The discussions were informative and interesting. Consideration was given Henry McGowan to campaign against Gerd Schneider for the office of District Governor, but he withdrew in favor of Albert Tonelli of the Westfield Club.

The 2nd meeting in March will be a joint meeting with the West Springfield Club at Viamari's on Riverdale Road.

The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 17th at the Agawam Congregational Church Hall, and we understand Chairman Ray Harris will have an unusual program.

### Jr. Women's Club Meeting Tuesday

A Covered Dish supper featuring specialty dishes from foreign countries will precede the Feb. 16th meeting of the Agawam Junior Women's Club to be held at the Captain Charles Leonard House. This meeting is for members only.

Supper will be served promptly at 7. Members are asked to have their donations in the kitchen by 6:45 p.m. Some of the delicacies to be available on the smorgasbord table are: Lebanese meat pies, Chinese lobster and Portuguese chicken and rice.

The Club philanthropies for this year will be approved at the business meeting to be conducted by President Mrs. Bruno Maule.

"Hobby Nite" will bring the evening to a close. Members will display and demonstrate their various hobbies.

This month will be the final opportunity for bringing commemorative and foreign stamps to be donated to the Veterans Hospitals.

### GRAPEFRUIT

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### Mobilehome Assn. Meeting Feb. 25

It was announced today that the New England Mobilehome Association will hold a general membership meeting at the Diplomat Motor Hotel in Hartford, Connecticut, on Thursday evening, February 25th.

The meeting will open with dinner at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by a business and legislative meeting. Robert Burns, one of the Connecticut Mobilehome Commissioners, will report on the activities of Connecticut Mobilehome Commission and its proposed legislation in the current session of the Connecticut General Assembly. Frank Gotta of Springfield, Massachusetts, who is chairman of the Massachusetts Mobilehome Commission, will report on the legislation being proposed in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts by the Massachusetts Mobilehome Commission. William Gangloff of New London, Connecticut, who is chairman of the New England Mobilehome Association's Connecticut Legislative Committee, will report on the legislative program as sponsored by the New

England Mobilehome Association. Ralph Eddy of the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut will report on the recently declared dividend for the Group Insurance Plan which is sponsored by the New England Mobilehome Association. Alice Thibeault of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, who is chairman of the Show Committee of the New England Mobilehome Association will report on the Travel Trailer Sporting Show to be sponsored by the Association the first week of March in Providence, Rhode Island.

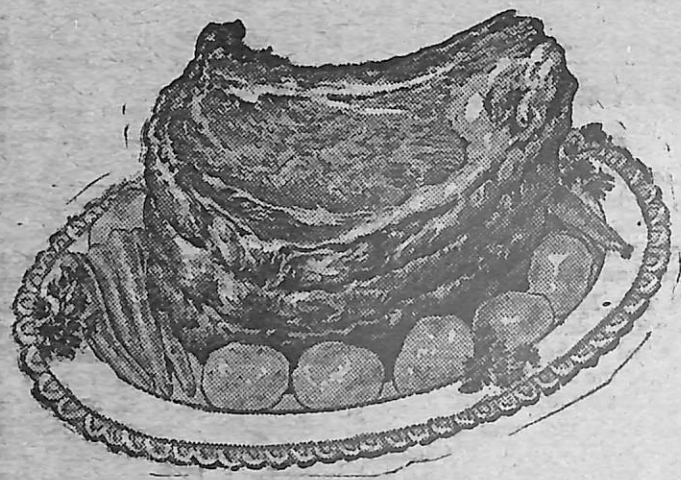
### TODAY'S AGRI-FACT

Lou Webster of the Dept. of Agriculture comments that at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield there was a surprising display of mink furs. Lou reminds us that in the early days of this country some of the big fortunes were founded on the fur trade. Now wild furs are being replaced by furs from animals grown with as much care as cattle or horses. It is estimated that several million dollars worth of minks are sold from Mass. farms, in some years doubtless exceeding the total value of potatoes.

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## ZIP-Coded Addresses On Mail

Acting Postmaster Robert R. DeForge said today he has received word from Postmaster General John A. Gronouski in Washington, D. C., that a big "breakthrough" has now been made on electronic machines to read "ZIP-coded addresses on mail."

The Postmaster General said he expects to begin installing these sophisticated new machines in major post offices starting in about a year. Each machine will be able to sort, as well as read, at the rate of 35,000 letters an hour.

The offices to get the address readers have not been announced, but the local postmaster said they will have significant effects on the mail in and out of each commu-

nity. They will speed incoming mail to smaller offices from major cities and step up the dispatch of mail deposited in smaller communities but which must be processed enroute at major mail massing points.

The postmaster emphasized, however, introduction of the "seeing eye" device next year does not mean ZIP Code isn't useful already.

"ZIP code," he explained, "is important in mail handling under the system of mail processing already in use which will continue to be in use as the basic system at most points. These machines will be just another step in conjunction with the mechanical mail sorting machines developed...to help keep pace with the growing volumes of mail. The machine will not endanger jobs...they will only help meet mail expansion with minimum manpower expansion."

## Cub Pack 79

### Food Sale Sat.

This Saturday morning, Feb. 13th, beginning at 10 a.m. Scout Cub Pack #79 of St. David's Church will sponsor a Food Sale at the Agawam Food Mart.

All Den Mothers and mothers of the Cub Scouts of this troop are asked to bake for this sale and have the food on hand at the Food Mart by 9:45 a.m.

Cub Pack #79 was organized last November under the leadership of Mr. Louis Peoples assisted by Mr. Robert Andruss. The Pack meets the last Friday of each month at St. David's parish hall on Springfield Street. Boys age 8 to 10 are welcome to join the troop. The time of meeting is 7 p.m.

## GRAPEFRUIT

Have you ever rejected a grapefruit because it was green in color? If so, you were probably wrong in doing so. Late in the season, practically all grapefruit and oranges have a tendency to "re-green." This is not at all harmful to the fruit, but may actually indicate advanced maturity and therefore generally a more tasty fruit. If it should be over-mature, you should be able to pick this out quickly enough by its withered appearance and its lighter-than-usual weight.

Two can live as cheaply as one; they usually have to.

## Fiesta Entertainers



The Robinson Park School Operetta "At the Fiesta" will be presented Friday night at the school by the sixth grades.

Pictured above are two accordion players who will feature in the operetta, Candy Bassani and Joseph Dynia.

Dancers taking part are: Teresa Alfano, Todd Craig, Billy Hamel, Linda Maynard, Paula McLeod, Charles Potter, Edward Rossi and Paul Tinnemeyer.

## Waste Collections

### ROUTE 10

Friday, Feb. 12 — Alfred Cir., Alfred Ct., Alfred, Autumn, Bailey, Barden, Campbell Dr., Channel Dr., Charles, Clark, Clifton Dr., Congress, Cross, Dartmouth, Deering, Dover, Dyotte, Florida Dr., Forest Rd., Greenwood, Grove, Laura Cir., Lawnwood, Leonard, Meadowbrook Rd., Melrose Pl., Merrell Dr., Morgan, Peros Dr., Roberta Cir., Ruth Ave., Sibley, Simpson Cir., Trinity Ter., Warren and Western Dr.

### ROUTE 1

Monday, Feb. 15 — Arnold, Broz, Carmen Ave., Cleveland, Coronet Cir., Francis, Gale, Grant, Hall, Harding, Homer, James, Letendre Ave., Liberty, McKinley, Maynard, Norman, Norman Ter. Ext., North, Oak Ln., Robin Lane, Sherman Ave., Taft, Wilson, and Woodside Ter.

### ROUTE 2

Tuesday, Feb. 16 — Acorn, Agnoli Pl., Annable, Aubudon, Bessbrook, Chapin, Cherry, Colemore, Daniel, Day, Eastern Ave., Fenton, Franklin, Fruwirth Ave., Greenock, Hasting, Hayes Ave., Horsham Pl., Lenox, Lincoln, Line, Mooreland, Norwood, Oak, Park, Pierce, Portland Pl., Ralph, Ridgeway Dr., Sylvan Ter., Witherside and Woodland St.

### ROUTE 3

Wednesday, Feb. 17 — Begley, Birchwood Ter., Bridge, Brookside Pl., Church, Cooley, Cottage, Dwight, Ellington, George, High, Highland, Hillcrest Ave., Howard, King, King Ave., Laurel, Lexington, Maple, McGrath Ter., Moore, Mulberry, Oak Ave., Oak Hill Ave., Orchard, Ottawa, Pasadena, Prospect, River, Scherpa, Spencer, Spring, Summer, Tower Ter., Valley, Walnut, Walnut St. Ext. and Winthrop St.

### Route 4

Thursday, Feb. 18 — Belvedere, Brookline, Columbus, Giffin Pl., Greenacre Ln., Henry, Highland, Homestead Ave., Kensington, Mill, Norris, Northwood, Randall, Rhodes Ave., Rowley, Royal, Royal Ln., Springfield, and William St.

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Tuesday: Meat loaf w/creole sauce, mashed potato, buttered peas, date muffin, cherry strudel dessert, milk.

Wednesday: Oven fried chicken and spaghetti, buttered green beans, bread/butter, jello w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Hot roast beef sandwich, frosted spinach, hot apple nugget muffins, assorted fruit pie square, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna salad sailboat, celery-carrot sticks, potato chips, peach shortcake w/topping, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, grinders (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomatoes), pickles, potato chips, applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg and gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, brownies, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato soup, turkey salad sandwiches, pickles, potato chips, green beans, apple, milk.

Thursday: Juice, spaghetti with meat sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, purple plums, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwiches, potato chips, tossed salad, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Italian spaghetti with meat, tomato sauce, green beans, rye bread/butter, cheese sticks, applesauce w/oatmeal cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Turkey noodle soup w/crackers, turkey salad sandwich or peanut butter jam sandwich, celery sticks, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, hamburger and roll w/catsup, buttered corn, fruit squares, milk.

Thursday: Mashed potatoes, roast beef w/gravy, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Juice, toasted cheese sandwiches, tossed salad, chocolate cake w/frosting, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Macaroni and hamburger w/meat, tomato sauce, tossed green salad, rye bread/butter, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Yankee pot roast, mashed potato, buttered broccoli, corn bread/butter, pumpkin pie, milk.

Wednesday: Oven fried chicken, buttered noodles, cranberry sauce, peas, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple chunks, milk.

Thursday: Juice, grilled frankfurter on bun, relish and mustard, potato sticks, whole kernel corn, date bars, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, green beans, cheese sticks, applesauce cake, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Citrus fruit juice, Chinese chop suey on buttered rice, green and golden beans, carrot sticks, peanut butter sandwich, Valentine dessert, milk.

Tuesday: Beef-pot pie w/potato topping, buttered beets, peanut

butter jelly sandwich, pineapple chunks, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza-burgers, kernel corn, peanut butter sandwich, cherry crumb cake w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, buttered carrots-cheese cube, rye bread/butter, vanilla pudding w/fruit topping, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, tuna sailboats, buttered peas, potato chips, peanut butter sandwich, peaches, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Beef stew with vegetables and potatoes, bread/butter, orange wedges, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, banana, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, cabbage salad, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

Thursday: Hamburg gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, breadbutter, chocolate pudding w/topping, milk.

Friday: Tomato soup, tuna salad sandwich, carrot sticks, chocolate cake, apple, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Pineapple juice, frankfurter on buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered corn, ripe olives, applesauce cake, milk.

Tuesday: Oven baked chicken, sweet potatoes, peas, carrots, bread/butter, cranberry sauce, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburg gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, peanut butter sandwich, sliced pears, milk.

Thursday: Tomato soup (rice) crackers, celery-carrot sticks, meat sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, fresh fruit, peanut butter cookies, milk.

Friday: Citrus juice, pizza w/cheese, tomato sauce, buttered green beans, apple-cherrie crisp, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Grapefruit juice, baked macaroni w/tomato, cheese sauce, buttered green beans, peanut butter honey sandwich, apricots, milk.

Tuesday: Tomato juice, frankfurter on buttered roll, buttered corn, vanilla pudding w/fruit sauce, milk.

Wednesday: Open hot turkey sandwich w/gravy, carrot sticks, cranberry sauce, Spanish rice, mixed citrus cup, milk.

Thursday: Barbecued beef balls, parried buttered potatoes, green peas, French bread/butter, pineapple chunks, cookie, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, clam chowder-oyster crackers, celery sticks, jelly sandwich, cream puffs w/chocolate frosting, milk.

## Pancake Festival

### Poster Winners

The Catholic Women's Club recently sponsored a poster contest at the Agawam Junior High. The subject of the posters were to be the Aunt Jemima Pancake Festival to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 16th at St. John's Hall, Agawam from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Winners of the contest judged by Mrs. Richard Shepard and Mrs. Leo J. Leger, Jr., members of the Catholic Women's Club, are: First Prize—\$5, Beth Botaro; Second Prize—\$3, Ken Martin; Third Prize—\$2, Christine Merchant.

Honorable mention prizes of free tickets to the Pancake supper were awarded to the following: Kerry Segler, Sandra Casanelli, Dorothy St. Peter, Debra Rachele, Kathy Campbell, B. Camazza, Linda Castellanos.

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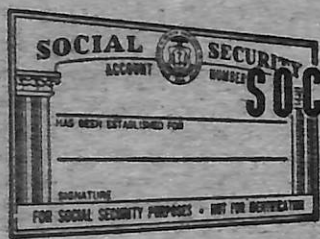
Part of the kitchen crew that will help prepare the food for the Agawam Chapter of UNICO National Spaghetti Supper is pictured above, left to right: Joseph Della Guistina, Albert Ma-

lone, Joseph DePalo and Dominick Maiolo. Servings will start promptly at 4:30 and continue until 8 p.m.

Albert Christopher, general chairman, reports that all is

ready for the supper tonight at the Junior High School cafeteria.

Ticket chairman Francis Capitanio stated that ticket returns indicate a turnout of nearly 1000 diners.



## SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

**Q.** During World War II, I was in the service for over 3 years. Was this time covered by social security?

**A.** No. Military service was not covered by social security until January 1957. However, if no other Federal Agency has used your service time in paying a monthly benefit, social security can give you "free" credits for your military service. These credits amount to \$160 a month for each month of your active duty.

**Q.** I have been in the service since 1951. My statement of earnings from Baltimore shows no credits prior to January 1957. Why didn't I get credit for the first 6 years of my service career?

**A.** Service in the armed forces was not covered by social security until January 1957. However, if you were on active duty on and after December 31, 1956, you receive "free" credits of \$160 a month for any service from 1951 through 1956. Check with the social security office for further in-

formation.

**Q.** I have retired from the military service after 30 years' service ending in 1954. I am now 65. Can any of my military service be counted for social security purposes?

**A.** If any portion of your military service during the period of September 16, 1940, through December 31, 1956, was not used in computing your military retirement pay and is not being used by any other Federal agency to pay you a retirement benefit, then social security can give you "free" credits of \$160 a month for the unused portion of your military service.

**Q.** I receive retirement pay of \$250 a month from the Department of the Army. I also receive a monthly social security benefit. Does the \$250 I receive from the Army affect the earnings limitation on my social security?

**A.** No. Only remuneration you receive from work as an employee or self-employed person or com-

bination of the two counts in the \$1200-\$1700 limitation for social security purposes. Any retirement pay or income not received as an employee or self-employed person would not affect receipt of your social security benefits.

**Q.** I receive a disability benefit from the Veterans Administration based on my military service. Can I use my military service for social security purposes, too?

**A.** Yes, provided you are not entitled to receive (whether or not you accept it) a benefit from any other Federal agency based on your military service.

## CAMP MILL BROOK COMPLETE PLANS

James H. Loomis Jr., chairman of the Day Camp Committee of the Agawam Community YMCA announced today that plans have been completed for the reorganization of the Associations newly named Camp Mill Brook.

Under the new organization, the camp will operate this summer for four, two-week periods, for a total of eight weeks. Previously the camp has operated for six weeks. Enrollment in each session will be strictly limited to 70 campers. Loomis said that this would enable the camp to accommodate as many campers as in previous years and would also give parents and campers more flexibility in their choice of camp periods.

Loomis indicated that the enrollment limit of 70 would enable the Camp Staff to better plan program and will result in a better camping experience for all campers. In the past, enrollment has fluctuated from as low as 50 campers in one session to 105 in other sessions.

Jack Moltenbrey, director of Camp Mill Brook is now interviewing candidates for the position of Co-Director and announcement of this position assignment should be forthcoming within two weeks. Selection and assignment of other staff members will begin shortly.

Loomis also said that because of the limitation on enrollment in any given period, registrations for the camp will be accepted earlier this year. Camp brochures will be ready by March 15th. Further information on Camp Mill Brook may be obtained by calling the YMCA office at 108 Perry Lane.

By the ads on match book covers, a wife can check up on where her husband has been.



## New Library Books

Miss Frances E. Sanford, Librarian, announces that the following books are now available at the Agawam Public Libraries:

### JUVENILE FICTION

Berenstein, Stanley—The bike lesson  
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Faulkner, Nancy—Knights besieged  
Friermood, Elizabeth Hamilton—Whispering willows  
Goodman, Willard, illus.—Noah's Ark A B C  
Kjelgaard, Jim—Two dogs and a horse  
Lampman, Evelyn Sibley—

Temple of the sun  
L'Engle, Madeleine—The twenty-four days before Christmas  
Park, Ruth—Secret of the Ma-

ori cave  
Savitt, Sam—Vicki and the black horse  
Steiner, Charlotte—Birthdays are for everyone  
Travers, P. L.—Mary Poppins and Mary Poppins comes back  
Wood, Kerry—The boy and the buffalo

### JUVENILE NON-FICTION

De Leeuw, Adele—Legends & folk tales of Holland  
Faber, Doris—Robert Frost: America's poet  
Huntington, Harriet E.—Car-goes  
Hymes, Lucia—Oodles of noodles  
Larsen, Egon—Atoms and atomic energy  
Martin, Patricia Miles—John Fitzgerald Kennedy  
One two buckle my shoe  
Sterling, Dorothy—Lucretia Mott, gentle warrior  
Swinton, W. E.—Digging for dinosaurs  
Tallant, Robert—Pirate Lafitte and the Battle of New Orleans

## Scout Troop 89

### Court of Honor

Over 140 attended the Boy Scout Troop 89 Court of Honor held in the Agawam Congregational Church Parish Hall last Saturday evening. All families of the Scouts were invited guests to a Smorgasbord Supper.

Russell G. Exley, Chief Scout Executive of Pioneer Valley Council presented the Eagle Award to Harold Lynch; Herman Foster, Scout Executive of Ramapogue District presented the Life Award to Douglas Grant and Eugene Ouimet, District Commissioner made the Star Awards to Mark Andrews and James Foster.

Other awards presented included: First Class Scout, Joseph Sorenson; Second Class Scout, Thomas Case, Randall Cushing, Grant Dickinson, David Gingras, Charles Kistner, Allen Wein; Tenderfoot Scout, Mark Catchepaugh, Craig Damon, Donald Filiault, David LeGrand, Robert Lund and Steven Kamyk.

The supper was made possible by all mothers supplying delicious food dishes. The supper committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Richard Gingras was assisted by Mrs. Frank Biza, Mrs. Paul Tatro, Mrs. Edwin Cushing, Mrs. Ernest Reed and Mrs. William Littlefield.

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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

The next few weeks will witness the birth of a good many black bear cubs in Vermont... some may already be here. It is hard to believe that the new born cubs, usually two, from an adult two-hundred or more pound sow will weigh little more than a half-pound and will be about the size of a grapefruit. Nature has designed things this way since the young cubs will suckle for weeks while their mother remains in the twilight zone of hibernation. Cubs, as a rule, are born only every other year.

Black bear in the north are one of three related species east of the Mississippi River—all are large. Bears in this area do not hibernate in the manner of woodchucks or other hibernators who really take their winter sleep seriously. Bears, it might be well to note, can be awakened rather quickly and are apt not to show their best humor at this rudeness. Many times our bears, especially the boars or males, do not find a cave for a winter home. In these instances, they seem to get along quite well under the protection of an overhanging ledge, in thick evergreens, or perhaps under a brush pile on a southern exposure.

Vermont's annual bear kill by sportsmen place this relatively small state right in with the top bear-hunting states often much larger. The rugged terrain of the Green Mountain State is habitat to the bear's liking and it extends from the Canadian border to the Massachusetts line.

### Hearing Set

A legislative hearing on the

Division of Fisheries and Game's bill (H1008) to establish a wildlife land and water acquisition fund has been set for 11 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, in room 443 at the state house. The Joint Committee on Natural Resources will conduct the hearing.

Contrary to what you have read against the bill and for what it stands for, every hunter, camper, fisherman, bird watcher, and boater should support this very important piece of legislation. H1008 proposes to establish an annual fund for preservation in public ownership of wildlife lands and waters and sites for multiple-purpose outdoor recreation. \$300,000 would come from the state's general fund, to match the \$300,000 to be realized from an increase of \$1.00 in the cost of hunting, fishing and trapping licenses. In this way, both sportsmen and citizens who don't hunt or fish will share the costs as well as the benefits. Up to now, the sportsmen's fund has borne the cost of such acquisitions alone.

If passed, the fund would also make Mass. eligible for additional federal aid monies under the recently passed Land and Water Conservation Act, thus potentially realizing over a million dollars a year for preservation of the state's rapidly disappearing sites for wildlife and outdoor recreation.

Two ice fishermen in Maine heard something scratching at the door of their fish shack. When it was open, in walked a muskrat. After dining on the smelts that were offered to him, he curled up in a corner and went to sleep, a wildlife version of the man who came to dinner.

### Too Many Deer

Deer are so numerous on Maine's Mount Desert Island, scene of Acadia National Park, that something must be done to save them from malnutrition.

One proposal is that an open season for archers be established. Another is that part of the herd be trapped and transported to other parts of the state. No decision either way yet.

The Veterans Administration operates three automatic data processing centers under the supervision of its Department of Data Management.

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## Lt. T. Buoniconti Completes Course



FORT GORDON, Ga. (AHTNC)—Second Lt. Thomas F. Buoniconti Jr., whose parents live at 36 Rowley St., Agawam, completed a nine-week signal officer orientation course at the Army Southeastern Signal School, Fort Gordon, Ga., Jan. 29.

During the course Lt. Buoniconti received instruction in the duties and responsibilities of a signal officer and was trained in communication procedures, administration and the use of signal equipment.

He was graduated from Agawam High School in 1959 and received a B. S. degree in 1964 from Northeastern University in Boston. Buoniconti is a member of Nu Epsilon Zeta fraternity.

## EVENTS FOR WEEK AT EASTERN STATES COLISEUM

Friday, Feb. 12—Professional Hockey, Hershey vs Springfield, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 13—Professional Hockey, Buffalo vs Springfield, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 14—Public Skating, 2 to 4:15 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 15—High School Hockey—

6 p.m. Agawam vs Holyoke

7 p.m. Commerce vs Classical

8 p.m. Pittsfield vs Palmer

9 p.m. Chicopee vs Westfield

Wednesday, Feb. 17 — High School Hockey—

6 p.m. Palmer vs Chic. Comp.

7 p.m. West Spfld vs Trade

8 p.m. Cathedral vs Technical

9 p.m. Classical vs Longmeadow

## SPRINGFIELD INDIANS

### Scoring statistics

Player	GP	G	A	Pts.
B. Kilrea	49	16	33	49
J. Anderson	48	27	15	42
G. Foley	48	15	26	41
D. Olson	49	16	21	37
B. Sweeney	43	11	22	33
R. Cote	49	10	15	25
J. Rodger	42	7	18	25
D. Amadio	49	7	17	24
M. Labadie	41	9	12	21
B. Smith	48	16	4	20
B. White	49	3	17	20
D. Rolfe	45	5	14	19
Y. Locas	39	8	9	17
P. Shearer	25	4	9	13
R. Miller	34	3	10	13
B. Plager	20	2	9	11
J. Holdaway	41	0	7	7
G. Young	43	0	5	5

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## Saxon Wood Ten Pin Lanes Highlights

### Agawam Teachers Ten Pin Bowling Society

The Agawam Teachers League is off to a tremendous start this year at Saxon Wood Lanes. The teachers are showing that their skills are not confined to the classroom alone but on the lanes as well. In the Women's Division honors go to Shirley Tower 176, Glenna Ball 171, Carol Knight 171 and Anne Dubia 167 for high single games. High three honors go to Glenna Ball 440, Rosie Stratton 434 and Fran Porter 428. High averages are Rosie Stratton 130, Glenna Ball 129 and Anne Dubia 127.

In the Men's Division honors go to Larry Sheehan 223, Dick Marsh 215, Rudy Altobelli 195 for high single games. High three series are Larry Sheehan 592, Dave Stratton 528 and John Petrone 514. High averages are Larry Sheehan 171, Rudy Altobelli 156, Dick Marsh 146 and Dave Stratton 146.

The first round was won by the Brandy Team with 29 wins and 9 losses. The second round leader is the Drambries Team with 18 wins and 6 losses. There is a very close race going on between most of the teams and only 9 points separate the last place team and the first place team.

### Agawam Alley Cats

Comprised of students from Agawam High School and under the excellent supervision of Miss Arlene Sekora and Mr. William Gardiner the first 10 pin student league is well underway at Saxon Wood Lanes. We find the Gutter Bowlers and the Knights are tied for first place with 37 wins and 11 losses. The Gutter Bowlers Team is comprised of Jim Brown, Susan Bourbonnais and Janet LaFountain and the Knights Team is comprised of Pete Baldiga, Cathy Rourke and Judy Wills. The rest of the teams are as follows: Chicklets, Barracudas, Wild Cats, Sekora's Bats, Crusaders, Strikes.

## Baton Twirling Contest Feb. 12

The Greater Springfield Baton Twirling Jamboree will be held Feb. 21st at noon at the Agawam High School. Approximately 350 contestants plan on attending the gala event. Twirlers from New York, New Jersey, Vermont, Connecticut, are among the states that are already represented.

Any local twirler interested may obtain entry blanks from Mary Farina, director of the contest.

There will be 21" trophies for Novice, Intermediate and Advanced Twirl off.

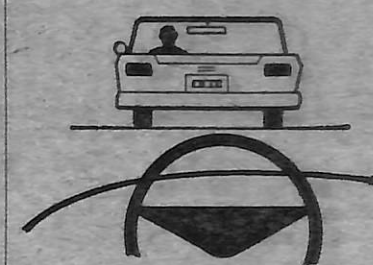
Hostess for the contest is Dolly Farina, winner of many championships and high honors in the twirling field.

Purple Passions Meows, Pushovers, Lucky Swingers, Good Losers, Chug-A-Tugs, Boobie Bowlers, Alley Jumpers, Pin Busters and Casualties.

Team honors for high single game are the Gutter Bowlers 676, Pushovers 671, and the Knights 639. High team three series are the Pushovers 1915, Knights 1843 and Gutter Bowlers 1765.

Individual honors go to Janet LaFountain single game of 210, Karen Dibonato 187 and Jim Brown 186. High series also goes to Janet LaFountain with a 485. Other high series honors go to Pete Baldiga 466 and Jim Brown 465. High average Janet LaFountain 129 and Fred Aldrich 136.

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1965 Heart Fund, and Dr. Paul Dudley White, famed cardiologist and past president of Massachusetts and American Heart Associations.

### SQUARE DANCE



### PROMENADERS

By Al and Elaine Taupier

Tomorrow night we will all meet at the Agawam Junior High School cafeteria to get in the swing with our guest caller, Ken vanWestendorp of Providence, R.I. Dancing will begin at the usual time at 8 p.m. and con-

tinue to 11 p.m. Ken is a well-known square and round dance teacher in his area and has appeared on local TV stations in Rhode Island several times. We anticipate a real swinging time.

This dance is a Valentine Party and appropriate decorations are planned by the Links and Nathans. Door prizes will be awarded and Rupert and Ethel Kane will be on hand to direct the serving of refreshments... hope to see you dancing.

Next week we look forward to our second in a series of Advance Dance Workshops with Dick Mastriani calling. This dance will be at Robinson Park School at 8 p.m. with refreshments being served.

WHERE IT GOES: Last year, every American working an eight-hour day put in two hours and 21 minutes to pay taxes, the Tax Foundation reports.

### VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The third game in the present series of Card Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening at the Agawam National Guard Armory. Winning door prizes were: Mabel Miller, Robert Damon, Mrs. W. Langlands and Emma Piacenza.

Mystery prizes were won by Buddy White, George Pierce and Etta Stetson. Evelyn Miller won the Ace prize for the ladies and George Teed for the men.

The following were awarded high score prizes: Ladies—1st Martha Anderson, 2nd Mary MacKay, 3rd Freida Veehof and consolation, Ann Bacon; Men:—1st Tom Bishop, 2nd Ed Lancour, 3rd C. Edwards and consolation, John Bacon.

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By LINDA BARUFALDI

### Ski Club

Members of the Ski Club and their advisor, Mr. Suzor, have been going skiing at the Mt. Tom Ski area on Wednesday nights. These night trips give the members an opportunity to ski at a good area without having to make long trips to some of the more northern ski areas.

### Legion Oratorical Contest

Senior class president Bob Swanson was chosen as the winner of the American Legion Oratorical Contest. Second prize was awarded to Bob Osolinski, and third place went to freshman Linda Antienowicz. Another freshman, Jean Stefanik, was given honorable mention. The speeches, the students' original work, were given at assembly. Cash prizes were furnished by the American Legion. Congratulations to these outstanding students on their excellent showing!

### Assembly

Thursday and Friday, Agawam High students were entertained by WSPR disc jockey Paul Monson who gave a lecture and showed beautiful slides of the "postage stamp principalities" of Europe. As always, Mr. Monson gave a very interesting and informative program. Students always look forward to his visits.

### Inter-Class Play Competition

Because of the flu epidemic and interference with operetta rehearsals, the Inter-class Play Competition has been postponed until April. The freshmen and sophomores work together on one play, and the juniors and seniors work separately to present a total of three plays. Watch the column for future news of this event.

### Class Pictures

By now most seniors have picked up their class pictures from Loring Studios. As always, Loring has done a beautiful job, and seniors have already begun to exchange pictures as remembrances of their years at AHS.

### Graduation

Bob Swanson, senior class president, has announced that graduation this year will be held at the Coliseum in West Springfield on June 11, a Friday night. The larger seating capacity will allow seniors to invite more of their relatives and friends than the limited space of the high school auditorium would allow.

### Operetta

Operetta rehearsals continue each day after school. The stage couple of weeks in their schedule, practice sessions, and although the flu has set the cast back a couple of weeks in their schedule, the show seems to be on its way to completion. The performances will be on March 11, 12, and 13, and the public is invited to attend for a fun night of family entertainment.

### FISH & CHIPS

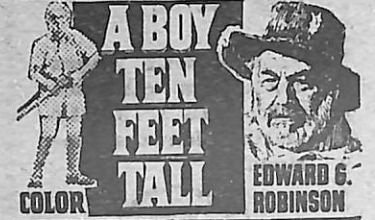
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## LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchpaugh

### Special Notice To All Units

Please contact your Senators and Congressman immediately by card, letter or telegram regarding the proposed closing of the Rutland Heights Veterans Administration Hospital as of June 30, 1965.

The American Legion, Department of Massachusetts is definitely opposed to the closing of any Veterans Administration Installations and Commander Norman W. Stewart has asked all members and their families to voice their opposition immediately.

Our National President has wired our President, Elsie L. Morse, urgently requesting all Units send a letter of Protest, not only to our Congressmen and Senators, but also to President Lyndon B. Johnson, The White House, Honorable Olin Teague, House of Representatives and Administrator of Veterans Administration, William J. Driver, all of Wash-

ington, D. C., protesting this anti-veteran attitude of the Bureau of the Budget.

(From January 20th correspondence received from Adelaide L. Fitzgerald, Department Secretary-Treasurer).

### Scholarship Smorgasbord

On Saturday, Feb. 13th, the Legion and Auxiliary will hold a Smorgasbord to raise funds to award an Agawam student a Scholarship. The supper will include meat loaf, mashed potatoes, pickled beets, baked beans and home-made cupcakes, and will be served at 8:30 p.m. The public may purchase tickets from the Chairmen, Lou Morris and Mrs. Antoinette DeBarge, or at the Legion Home.

### Mirror, Mirror On The Wall . . .

Laundermats are for washing clothes. They're also for watching streetcars.

Thanks to one civic-minded laundermat owner, citizens of suburban Brookline, Mass., are no longer among the shivering commuters.

Early-morning subway riders discovered that a laundermat across from a local subway stop was open for cleaning at a sunrise hour. Even though it meant craning their necks around other buildings to watch for the trains, commuters preferred the warmth of the cozy laundermat to the usual "open-air" waiting area.

Instead of closing the shop to them, the laundermat owner rose to the occasion. He decided to aid the "neck cranes."

Now commuters wait in comfort keeping their eye on a mirror which has been carefully placed to frame streetcars coming down the track from the opposite direction.

A hand-lettered sign above reads: "Use this mirror to watch for your MTA cars."

When asked about the shape of the world, the schoolboy only quoted his father—and as a result was kept in after school.

Who escapes a duty, avoids a gain.

### Career Notes

By RUTH WADE RAY



*Ruth Wade Ray, Director of Ray-Vogue Schools, the oldest professional arts school in the U.S., answers high school seniors' questions about continuing their education in the creative arts.*

**Q. How do I know if I have creative talent?**

**A. In one of two ways. Most high schools give aptitude tests that will help to reveal this talent. If not, ask yourself: "Do I like creative things? Do I like to think up new ideas?" Chances are, if your answer is "yes," you will do well in this field. It's as simple as that.**

**Q. What career selections are possible in this field?**

**A. The chart shows six channels where the creative arts can be used to develop a career. After careful study our school chose these courses for persons with creative talents because they not only lead to interesting careers but also have excellent potential for placement and increased income.**



**Q. How long must I go to a professional school before graduating?**

**A. Most of the courses, such as Interior Design, Dress Design, Commercial Art and Fashion Illustration, require two years full time. Others, such as Photography and Fashion Merchandising, require only one year of full time schooling.**

**Q. Where can I get more information on a professional arts career?**

**A. You can get help from your high school counselor, or you can write to the Counselor at the Ray-Vogue Schools, 750 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, 60611. Specify area of interest from the chart above, otherwise general information will be sent to you.**

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DAVID C. GALLANO  
Director of Veterans Services



Veterans with GI insurance are urged to drop the bad habit of "riding the 31-day grace period," following overdue premium payments, William F. Connors, manager of the Boston Veterans Administration office, said today.

Such a resolution during 1965 can save hundreds of policies that otherwise will lapse.

Experience proves that waiting for the grace period too often results in forgetting the deadline, and allowing policies to lapse,

Connors pointed out.

Older veterans and those with disabilities should be especially careful since they may not be able to obtain other insurance except at much higher rates.

A good driver not only knows how to control his car, says the ALA. He also obeys all driving rules and regulations, takes no chances and is concerned about the safety and comfort of his passengers.

### THE "INDIFFERENT MAN"

Are we approaching the age of the "Indifferent Man"?

President Carey of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States fears we may be. The "Indifferent Man", in his view, is the sort of individual who finds it safer to "withdraw into the crowd, to surrender his identity, to yield to remote authority the individual responsibility which has come down from the ancient City State of Athens to our own day as the stamp of a free people."

This, Mr. Carey also said, is an outgrowth of the complexity of space-age living. But that very complexity should in itself make each of us ever more zealous in protecting the rights, duties and responsibilities which characterize a free nation. The greater the problems, the greater must be our determination to keep the individual from being reduced to a statistic.

We have gone a long way toward becoming statistics. Plans and programs are in the wind which would take us still farther. This nation grew great and strong because it believed in the "Free Man." Will the "Indifferent Man" take his place?

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